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RE: UNITED STATES V. LANCE POULSEN, ET AL.

WHEN: Arraignment set for Friday, June 2, 2006 at 8:30a.m.

WHERE: U.S. District Court, 85 Marconi Blvd., Columbus, OH

Courtroom #1, Third Floor

U.S. District Court Judge Algenon L. Marbley presiding

Defendants to be arraigned:

Lance Poulsen, Rebecca Parrett, Donald Ayers, Roger Faulkenberry, Jon Beacham, James Dierker, and Randolph Speer

These seven defendants are former executives of National Century Financial Enterprises (NCFE).

They will appear to answer charges to a 60-count indictment unsealed on May 22, 2006 alleging conspiracy, securities fraud, wire fraud, mail fraud and money laundering. The indictment seeks approximately \$2 billion in forfeiture of property involved in the money laundering conspiracy.

An indictment is merely an accusation. All defendants are presumed innocent of the charges and it is the government's burden to prove a defendant's guilt beyond a reasonable doubt at trial.

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